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In re Application of:

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For: Sample Analyzers, Bacteria  
Analyzers, and Solutions for  
Diluting and Cleaning

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**AMENDMENT AFTER NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312**

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Notice of Allowability and Examiner's Amendment dated September 28, 2009, Applicants respectfully request entry of the following Amendment and Remarks.

Amendments to the Examiner's Amendment to the claims begin on page 2 of this communication.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this communication.